ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ.—ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುವವರು ಕಾಂಪನ್‌ಸೇಷನ್ನನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಇರತಕ್ಕ ಜನರೂ ಇದರಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇವರಲ್ಲಿ ಎಷ್ಟು ಜನ ಈಗ ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ.—ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ 60 ನರ್ಮೆ ನಂಬರುಗಳು ಬರುತ್ತವೆ. ಇದರ ಮೇಲೆ ಕಾಲುವೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತವೆ. ಕಾಲುವೆ ಹೋಗುವಾಗ ರೈತರು ನಮಗೆ ನೀರು ಬರಲಿ ಎಂದು ಸುಮ್ಮನಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಕಾಲುವೆ ಬಂದು ಐದಾರು ವರ್ಷಗಳು ನೀರು ಉಪಯೋಗಮಾಡಿದ ಮೇಲೆ ಯಾರೋ ಕೆಲವರು ಸರಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಅರ್ಜಿಕೊಟ್ಟರೆ ದುಡ್ಡು ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿಸಿ ಅವರಿಂದ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳು ಪರಿಹಾರಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಬರುತ್ತವೆ. ರೈತರು ತಮ್ಮ ಗದ್ದೆಗೆ ಕಾಲುವೆ ಬರಲಿ. ನಾವು ಕಾಂಪನ್‌ಸೇಷನ್ ಮೊದಲು ಕೇಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ ಏಳೆಂಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳಾದ ಮೇಲೆ ಸರಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾಂಪನ್‌ಸೇಷನ್ನಿಗಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಹಾಕುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ 60 ನರ್ಮೆನಂಬರುಗಳು ಒಂದೇ ಜಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುತ್ತವೆ, ಅದರಿಂದ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಹೀಗಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ.—ಕಾಂಪೆನ್‌ಸೇಷನ್ನು ಬೇಡಿ ಎಂದು ವಾಲಂಟರಿಯಾಗಿ ಸರಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುವುದು ಸರಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ವಿ. ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ನಾನೇ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾದುದು, ತಾವು ಈಗ ಅದನ್ನೇ ಹೇಳುತ್ತೀರಿ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಇಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರ ಕಾಲ ಮುಗಿಯಿತು.

Members' Representation

Mr. SPEAKER.—I suppose Sri B. P. Kadam wanted to clarify certain thing. He said that some inaccuracies have crept in, in the statement made the other day. I will allow him to say that.

Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—Sir, when we were actually under the protective custody of the Police on the 1st April, there was certain discussion about the detention in this House. The hon'ble Home Minister made a statement which in my opinion is not based on the entire facts of the ease, We saw the hon'ble Chief Minister on the 31st March and gave him a petition stating the case of the hunger strike that we would peacefully resort to before the Vidhana Soudha. We stated briefly that we wanted the Chief Minister to carry out the assurances he gave as a member of the Lok Sabha in December 1955 and again an assurance he gave on 24th December 1956 as Chief Minister of Mysore.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I am not allowing a Debate. That is why I made the pos tion clear. If he says that there has been some inaccuracy by by not mentioning certain things or what has been stated is inaccurate, I will gave him fullest chance to correct it. If, on the other hand, he wants to supplement it, then I cannot allow.

Sri B. P. KADAM—I will come to that. We also stated in the petition to the Chief Minister that he would carry out the assurance he gave to the Kannadigas. That is all that we stated. As a protest against not implementing it we said that we were going to undertake peaceful hunger strike before the Vidhana Soudha.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now he is mentioning points on which members have differences of opinion. If the hon'ble member wants a copy of the statement made by the hon'ble Home Minister and as recorded, I will give. Let the member point out which is inaccurate ? Otherwise what

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is going to happen is, a debate will be opened up and there may be other members who may be equally anxious to say what the Minister has said is right. I do not want any controversy and it may not be desirable.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—I am going to give the true facts of the case.

Mr. SPEAKER.—If he so desires, I will take up this tomorrow. I will give a copy of the statement made. In the meantime the

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Member may please point out the inaccuracies.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—Firstly, the Hon'ble Chief Minister had stated that he discussed the matter with the Home Minister and that there would be no objection to our sitting there. We sat there without a Shamiana. We came there at about 7 A.M. early in the morning and we never thought that we may be arrested under section 151 of Cr.P.C. We discussed the matter with the police officers. We stated that we require some time to discuss the matter with you. But, the Hon'ble Home Minister has stated that we refused to go to the ante-chamber of the Speaker. As a matter of fact no suggestion came to us when we met you. We told the Police Officers also that we would better face everything on the lawns rather than go to the ante-chambers. Certain things have been stated whice are not correct. Certainly we are grateful to the Commissioner of Police for having given us the necessary facilities and good treatment. The Hon'ble Home Minister had stated that we could not have any sympathy in the Mysore State. Wenever sought the sympathy of anybody. We have abundant sympathy in Mysore State. History shows that both the people have lived together in perfect harmony. It is not also true to say that we require protection and good treatment. There were only few people far away who opposed us. We never wanted any protection and it is not the question as the Hon'ble Home Minister has stated. We know beyond the four walls of this House we are ordinary citizens of the State. We never claim any protection under any law. I would urge upon the Chief Minister to see that other Ministers have a good deal of restraint and not display hatred against Marathi people. So far as we are concerned, we are awaitin how far the Chief Minister of Maharashtra will still be indifferent on this issue.

(Sri B. R. Sunthankar stood up)

Mr. SPEAKER.—Please restrict himself only to the factual points, because his friend has made it clear that there is no question of privilege, there is no question of special treatment, they are functioning as members within the limits of the Floor of the House here and outside they are only expecting the normal treatment of an ordinary citizen.

Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR (Belgaum City).—I will restrict myself only to the mis-statement of the Hon'ble Home Minister. But before that I want a clarification on one point.

Mr. SPEAKER.—With regard to the clarification that Sri Sunthankar wants he may come to my chamber.

Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR.—In my letter I had stated that I would like to raise one point with regard to what are called the precincts under the Act. First, I will deal with that and then come to the statement. There is an Act No. 15 of 1951—The Mysore prevention of meetings near the State Legislature Act, 1951. According to the Act, no assemblies, meetings, demonstrations etc., are allowed within half a mile from this House. Presumably, Sir, this Act lays down the precincts of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Where is it laid down ?

Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR.—In my view, this Act presumably lays down the precincts of this House to the distance of half a mile from the House. That means the jurisdiction of this House according to this Act is to the extent of half a mile from this House. If that is true, then whether the Police can arrest a member of this House within a distance of half a mile from this House ? Similarly, if it is so, whether the Police officer can arrest a member without obtaining your previous permission ? I would like to have a clarification on this point.

†Sri V. S. PATIL (Belgaum I).—Sir, may I ask one more clarification regarding the particular Act and the rights of this House so far as the members are concerned ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—If the Member wants any information, he can put an interpollation.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—It is not a question of information ; it is not for my information. It is a question of a fundamental right of this House so far as the particular Act of 1951 is concerned. We are members here and I should like that the whole House must come to know what are our rights so far as that Act is concerned. From that point of view I beg your permission to place my views so far as that Act and its application are concerned. It is not my personal matter.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Why not deal with it at a later stage ?

Sri V. S. PATIL.—It is no use. Let the House and the public understand who we are, what are our rights and what are the rights of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—All that I told the two Hon'ble members was with regard to certain statement of facts that was made at a time when they were not present. They wanted to contradict by a personal explanation. Under the rules, a person who is affected by a statement may ask for an opportunity to make a personal statement. I allowed that. If the Members are going to convert it into a Debate, I think, everybody is to be told that there will be a Debate. Otherwise, we are slowly sliding from one point to another. Sri Sunthankar mentioned to me yesterday on this point. I said : 'there is nothing in it'. The question is whether the jurisdiction of this House or the Speaker extends to half a mile from

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the House as the centre under this Act. Beyond that there was nothing at all. The word 'precincts' is well defined. It is a technical expression. It has been defined in some of the state Legislatures also, and it has also been dealt with so far as the House of Commons is concerned. But, in Mysore, we have not done it. Mysore's position is peculiar. The House of Commons has not got other Secretariats or other parts of the Executive Government in the same building. There are various considerations which will lead to different conclusions. The only point that arises is, as to whether this has got a jurisdiction under this Act of half a mile with this as the centre.

†SRI V. S. PATIL.—Sir, may I Express my views ? The question is, this will be the last session and there will be no other session. Only one or two days are remaining. Then, I do not have opportunity to discuss this most fundamental issue and fundamental rights of the House to come to some definite conclusion. If necessary, amendment of the 1951 Act or some other arrangements should be made. That is why I should like to have a full debate on the subject. It is no use allowing us to go at the sweet will and pleasure of the Executive or the Chief Minister.

MR. SPEAKER.—Sri Suntankar had raised a point. I mentioned the identical idea now raised by Sri V. S. Patil saying that this is too complicated a question and if necessary I will give a ruling. Sri Patil suggested that it was not possible.

SRI V. S. PATIL.—When the 1951 Act was passed, this House was not in existance. We want to discuss it.

MR. SPEAKER.—I said : it is too contraversial a point. It has not been settled in several other legislatures. He said, he wanted permission, I will advise him not to make observations which will be embarrassing to him and to me.

SRI V. S. PATIL.—Another point I would like to bring to your notice is, when hon. Members of this House or any legislator in our country is arrested, a new word that is used here is "protective detention". I do not think that there is any such provision.

MR. SPEAKER.—The Hon. Member is bringing new ideas.

SRI V. S. PATIL.—This is a question of right. Not that our Samiti members were arrested ; it is a right of all the Members concerned. This question should also be solved by this House.

MR. SPEAKER.—If it is to be treated as a purely academic question, let it be brought in a proper method and proper procedure.

SRI M. V. RAMA RAO (Minister for Home).—Sir, nothing had been pointed out by any of the three Hon. Members who spoke, from the text of the speech that I made the other day pointing out the inaccuracy that is there, much less saying anything to correct it. Sri Kadam said that they did not ask for protection. They did not. But it was the responsibilitity of the Government to give them protection because they are Hon. members of this House and it has been the responsibility of Govern-

ment to see that nothing happened to them because of the situation created outside. I have nothing to add to what I said on the previous occasion.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—Sir.....

(*Interruptions.*)

Mr. SPEAKER.—Order, Order. I have given a chance to the Hon'ble Member and the matter ends there. With regard to the point raised by Sri V. S. Patil, I do not know how they would arise. It has to be brought in a proper form and procedure and not by throwing out an idea like this.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—It you say that there is no doubt, can you define our precinct even now ? On what particular portion of this big building, Vidhana Soudha, you have got the jurisdiction ? Is it ever possible ? Is it on the Ground Floor or First Floor or Second Floor ? Where is your jurisdiction ?

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Sira).—Sir, not that I am intervening, but some time back you were pleased to observe in a circular about your jurisdiction. This House wants to see that the Speaker is given the power to protect the rights of the Hon. Members. Unless that power is with the Speaker, I think, the whole thing will be in the air.

Speaker's Statement re : the Precincts of the House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member Sri Muckannappa has referred to certain old things. I would call upon him to give accurate reference to everything he has got in his mind so that I may deal with them. Therefore, I do not propose to deal with that aspect. With regard to the point raised about precincts, Sri Suntankar wanted to know whether under the Act 15 of 1951, the jurisdiction of this House or of the Speaker extends to a distance of half a mile radius with this Hall as the centre. This Act does not confer any special jurisdiction upon the House nor is there any statute of this type to confer jurisdiction so as to put restriction on meetings or processions near the place of meeting of the Legislative Assembly. The object of the Act is very clear. One need not therefore go into the question of 'precincts', But, this does not mean that the question of defining precincts of the Mysore Legislature does not merit consideration. I said, it is a difficult question. The House will have to apply its mind or the Committee appointed by the House or the Rules Committe or this matter has to be brought before the House so that the House may apply its mind and define it. It is not the Speaker that can do it as he pleases. If I were to decide, let the House give me the power ; I will try to study it and do it. I think, this question was raised when I was a member of another House some years back. Then the circumstances were totally different. The Assembly was carrying on busines in a building which was by itself exclusively